

Communities of Opportunity Initiative

Community Progress Report
April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010
Due Thursday, July 15, 2010

Name of Community: Jenkins County
Date: June 30, 2010

Local Champion: Jenkins County Family Enrichment Center, Inc.

Co-Op Strategies	List Measures of Success, (Or Barriers If Applicable)	Action Items Completed for Each Strategy	Cost Estimate	Provide a Brief Description of Issues and Action Items to be Addressed Next Quarter
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide job training / retraining in computer and other marketable Skills	*Partner with the DQ to provide employee screening and training *ECGC used our resource center to provide a 4 week training for jobs at Plant Vogtle.	\$5000	*JCFEC will provide weekly computer classes for 8 weeks. *Retest county residences to increase CWR score and reach county goal of 50 increases.
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide potential workforce with training in work ethics, career experiences, secondary Ed. Opportunities (S.T., O.T., GSU, A.S.), and drug prevention	*Working with the Jenkins County Crusade for Christ to hold a job fair in July 2010. *Partner with the DQ to provide employee screening and training *ECGC used our resource center to provide a 4 week training for jobs at Plant Vogtle.	\$1,000	Recruit individuals to take the CWR test.
Workforce Development (Training for Adults)	Provide job support such as transportation, apprenticeship opportunities, and job shadowing	Providing CWR testing for Shaw Industries; this allows local residents to apply for jobs with Georgia Power.	\$5000	Locate job sites to become certified work ready sites.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Assist students (8 th - 12 th) with employment goal setting	*Received a \$50,000 grant for 2010 / 2011 from WIA to provide youth with employment opportunities. *Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JCFEC put 36 youth to work this summer.	\$10,000	Recruit 10 new students to participate in the WIA program.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Create a youth entrepreneur program (ES, MS, and HS)	*Received a \$50,000 grant for 2010 / 2011 from WIA to provide youth with employment opportunities. *Through DHS funding and the	\$5000	Recruit 10 new students to participate in the WIA program.

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Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Provide youth work experiences for 11 th and 12 th graders	*Received a \$50,000 grant for 2010 / 2011 from WIA to provide youth with employment opportunities. *Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JC FEC put 36 youth to work this summer.	\$5000	Recruit 10 new students to participate in the WIA program.
Workforce Development (Training for Youth)	Provide career / job training for all high school students	*Received a \$50,000 grant for 2010 / 2011 from WIA to provide youth with employment opportunities. *Through DHS funding and the Georgia Teen Work program, JC FEC put 36 youth to work this summer.	\$5000	Recruit 10 new students to participate in the WIA program.
New Business to Jenkins County	Recruit new industry small and large to Jenkins County (consider providing tax breaks or other incentives)	*Contract in negotiation for a group of physicians to purchase / lease our local hospital.		Recruit individuals to write letters on behalf of our community to state leaders to help recruit industry into Millen.
New Business to Jenkins County	Locate funding to assist in marketing Jenkins County to new business	*Contract in negotiation for a group of physicians to purchase / lease our local hospital.		Professional development training in marketing for staff of community collaborative and its partners. Four JC FEC staff members will attend Georgia Academy in August.
Certified Work Ready Community	Complete required Work Key Assessments	*Still recruiting individuals to assess but the process has slowed. *Purchased some marketing items to encourage individuals to take Work Ready assessment.	\$5000	Recruit individuals to use the Key Train curriculum and retake the CWR test to increase their score
Certified Work Ready Community	Provide GAP Training	10 individuals increased their CWR scores by using the Key Train curriculum.	\$5000	Recruit individuals to use the Key Train curriculum and retake the CWR test to increase their score
Provide Broadband Access Community Wide	Apply for a 5-County Regional Grant to fund broadband	Final Version of the Broadband Feasibility study issued by Key Bridges.	\$200	
Community Awareness and Education	Create a Demographic Database	Database developer is adding new pieces to the FRP database.	\$7500	Need money to pay for evaluation.
Community Awareness and Education	Solicit time pledges from community volunteers	JC FEC developed a new mail out brochure for their annual fundraising campaign.		Will mail new brochure in August. Need to update database.

Community Awareness and Education	Quarterly articles in local newspaper	Monthly articles were printed in local paper highlighting local programs and services.		Need more expertise in journalism.
Community Awareness and Education	Develop Telephone Tree	Working with school system to coordinate efforts on the telephone tree.	\$1,200	JCFEC will try to find funds to pay for a telephone tree.
Community Awareness and Education	Post informational billboards	None	\$5000	Solicit money to pay for more billboards for public awareness.
Community Awareness and Education	Create informational flyer/ newsletter	Lunch and Learns held bimonthly	\$1000	Develop local newsletter for collaborative partners and community.
Community Awareness and Education	Develop County Website	County Website is up and running. JCFEC website is updated.	\$2000	Get JCFEC up-to-date and functioning properly. Properly link community and state partners.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement emergent, pre-literacy and early childhood education: Building Blocks, Parents as Teachers, Pre - K, Head Start, Pre- schools	*Wrote grant to join efforts with the Georgia PAT network to align our local PAT with national criteria. *PAT has 80 families enrolled in the program.	\$6000	Recruit more families to be involved in the PAT program. Started a teen PAT program to teach responsibility and to encourage completion of high school and secondary education.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement academic credit recovery services BLAST, Eagle Academy, Summer School	*Provided summer field trips for participants in the Afterschool program. High School students visited several colleges.		Continue to look for grants to sustain the Afterschool program.
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Programming and Curriculum	Implement Drug Free Communities Program	Local Board of Education approved the implementation of a Teen Maze in March of 2011.	\$200	Will continue to implement Drug Free task force until we hear from the grant.
Programming and Curriculum	Adopt Violence Prevention policies - Bullying, Domestic Violence, CAN, and Gang	Plans for the August 5 th Dream Building Conference have been finalized.	\$4000	Flyers will be mailed to students in the 5 th - 12 th grade to participate in the "Dream Power" conference.
Programming and Curriculum	Implement School Health Services - BMI, Eye / Ear Screenings, Scoliosis, Immunizations, Dental Screenings	Continue to implement CHIPRA grant; Will send information about Peachcare to all local businesses.		Work with MCG on the continuation of the CHIPRA grant for the 2011 - 2012 school year.

Programming and Curriculum	Create marketing program to promote public awareness of programs available through JC FEC and partners. MOU's with parents, local partners, and community to commit to specific service delivery or collaborative work components	Held Lunch and Learn with 15 local pastors from various churches in the county.		JC FEC will host a lunch and learn with the new teachers in July. JC FEC will also host a lunch and learn with the middle school teachers during pre planning.
Training Mentoring	MOU between school system & JC FEC to outline specific program, services and activities that are collaborative responsibilities	MOU between JC FEC and the BOE to continue the Family Connection grant and for JC FEC to host Parent Academy's.		JC FEC will write grants to help the local school system and the community.
Training Mentoring	Marketing & Recruiting to Civic Groups to volunteer and / or donate funds to promote public awareness of programs available through JC FEC and collaborative partners	None	\$10,000	JC FEC will start recruiting volunteers from local civic groups to participate in the Teen Maze in March of 2011.